

***Amendments to the Claims***

The listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings of claims in the application.

Claim 1 (currently amended): Footwear, comprising:

a sole;

an upper attached to said sole wherein a portion of said upper is formed of a material having a first side and a second side wherein said first side has a pile and said second side has hooks opposite substantially everywhere said first side has pile,

wherein said portion ~~includes~~ extends from a throat region of said upper to a region of said upper that attaches to said sole.

Claim 2 (currently amended): The footwear of claim 1, further comprising at least one strap formed of said material extending from at least one of a medial side and lateral side ~~of said throat region~~ of said upper, wherein said at least one strap is capable of being removably fastened to said portion of said upper located on the other of said medial side and said lateral side.

Claim 3 (currently amended): The footwear of claim 2, wherein said at least one strap extends from and is formed as a unitary structure with said ~~throat region~~ portion of said upper.

Claim 4 (currently amended): The footwear of claim 2, wherein at least two straps extend from said ~~throat region of said~~ portion of said upper with ~~at least one~~ a first

strap extending from said medial side and ~~one~~ a second strap extending from said lateral side.

Claims 5-7 (cancelled).

Claim 8 (currently amended): The footwear of claim 2, further comprising at least one heel strap of said material extending from said portion of said upper on at least one of said medial and lateral sides, wherein said at least one heel strap extends behind the heel of a wearer and is capable of being removably fastened to said portion of said upper of said footwear located on the other of said medial and lateral sides.

Claim 9 (currently amended): The footwear of claim ~~[[8]]~~ 2, wherein ~~at least one~~ a first heel strap of said material extending from said portion of one of said medial and lateral sides is capable of being removably fastened behind the heel of a wearer of said footwear to ~~at least another~~ a second heel strap of said material extending from said portion of the other of said medial and lateral sides.

Claim 10 (previously presented): The footwear of claim 1, wherein said material is a single-ply material.

Claim 11 (currently amended): Footwear comprising:

a sole,

an upper attached to said sole, said upper including a vamp having a medial side and lateral side and at least one vamp strap, wherein at least a portion of one of said

medial and said lateral sides of said vamp extending from a throat region of said upper to a region of said upper that attaches to said sole and a portion of said at least one vamp strap are formed from a material with a first side and a second side, said first side having a plurality of hooks and said second side having a pile,

wherein said at least one vamp strap extends from at least one of said medial side and lateral side of said upper and removably fastens to said portion of said vamp located on the other of said medial side and said lateral side of said upper.

Claim 12 (currently amended): The footwear of claim 11, wherein said at least one vamp strap is formed as a unitary structure with said portion ~~of said upper~~ ~~comprising at least a throat region~~ on said side from which said at least one vamp strap extends.

Claim 13 (currently amended): The footwear of claim 11, wherein at least two vamp straps extend from ~~a throat region of~~ said upper with at least one vamp strap extending from said medial side and one vamp strap extending from said lateral side.

Claims 14-16 (cancelled).

Claim 17 (currently amended): The footwear of claim 11, said upper further comprising a heel region including at least one heel strap extending from said heel region on at least one of said medial and lateral sides, wherein said heel region and said at least one heel strap are formed from a material with a first side and a second side, said first side having a plurality of hooks and said second side having a pile and wherein said heel

strap extends behind the heel of a wearer and is removably fastened to said heel region on the other of said medial and lateral sides.

Claim 18 (previously presented): The footwear of claim 17, wherein said at least one heel strap is removably fastened behind the heel of a wearer of said footwear to at least another heel strap extending from the other of said medial and lateral sides.

Claim 19 (previously presented): The footwear of claim 11, wherein said material is a single-ply material.

Claims 20-37 (cancelled).

Claim 38 (currently amended): Footwear, comprising:

a sole;

an upper attached to said sole wherein a portion of said upper is formed of a material having a first side and a second side wherein said first side of said material includes a plurality of hooks and said second side of said material includes a pile;

wherein said portion includes a region extending from said sole through a throat region of said upper,

wherein said hook and said pile are coextensive on a single-ply of said material.

Claim 39 (new): The footwear of claim 1, wherein said portion includes at least 50% of said upper.

Claim 40 (new): The footwear of claim 11, wherein said portion includes at least 50% of said upper.

Claim 41 (new): The footwear of claim 38, wherein said portion includes at least 50% of said upper.